ARTICLES TO BE ENQVIRED OF IN THE Dioceſſe of *Salisburie*, in the firſt Viſitation of the Reuerend *Father in God*, ROBERT *Lord Biſhop of* SARVM.

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The forme of the Oath to be ministred vnto the Church-wardens and Side-men.

YOu ſhall ſweare, that you, and euery of you, ſhall duely conſider, and diligently enquire, of all and euery of theſe Articles giuen you in charge; and that all affection, fauour, hope of reward, and gaine, or feare of diſpleaſure, or malice ſet aſide; you ſhall preſent all & euery ſuch perſon of, or within your Pariſh, as hath committed any offence, or made any default mentioned in theſe, or any of theſe Articles; or which are vehemently ſuſpected or defamed of any ſuch offence or default: Wherein you ſhall deale vprightly and fully: neither preſenting, nor ſparing to preſent any, contrary to trueth: hauing in this action God before your eyes, with an earneſt zeale to maintaine trueth and vertue, and to ſuppreſſe vice: So helpe you God, and the holy contents of this Booke.

Articles concerning Publique Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments.

Titul. 1.

Deprauing the Booke of Common Prayer, and Ceremonies.

FIrst, Whether hath any of your parish spoken, or declared any thing in the derogation, or deprauing of the forme of Gods worship in the Church of England, & Administration of the Sacraments, Rites and Ceremonies set forth and prescribed in the Booke of Common Prayer, by the Kings Maiestie authorised and confirmed. Doe any preach, speake, or declare, that it containeth any thing which is not agreeable to the holy Scriptures.

Perswading any Minister to alter the forme of Common Prayer.

2 Item, Whether hath any in your parish caused, procured, or maintained any Minister to say any common or publike Prayer, or to administer either of the Sacraments of Baptisme and the Lords Supper otherwise, or in any other manner and forme, then is mentioned in the said booke of Common prayer, or whether hath any interupted, hindered, let, or disturbed the Minister to read diuine Seruice, and administer the Sacraments in such manner and forme, as is mentioned in the said booke, or interrupted him in his preachings and Sermons.

Obseruation of the forme of Baptisme, and Crosse.

3 Item, Whether is the Sacrament of Baptisme rightly and duly administred according to the prescript Forme expressed in the booke of Common Prayer, with the obseruation of all Rites and Ceremonies prescribed in the administration of the same, without adding, or altering any part or parcell of any hardeers interrogatoris, or not vsing the signe of the Crosse in the administration of the same.

Deferring of Baptisme.

4 Item, Whether is the administration of the Sacrament of Baptisme deferred longer then the next Sunday or Holiday immediatly following the birth of the Child.

Children refused to be baptizd, or dying without baptisme.

5 Item, Whether is the Sacrament of Baptisme refused to be administred to any children borne in or out of wedlocke, their birth being made knowne to the Minister of the parish, and offered vnto him to bee baptized, or haue any such children dyed vnbaptized.

Parents of children admitted Godfathers.

6 Item, Whether be the Parents of any child to be baptized, admitted to be godfathers, and godmothers to the same.

Priuate Baptisme.

7 Item, Whether haue there any children beene baptized in priuate houses by any Lay person, or midwife, or Popish Priest, or by any other Minister, but vpon vrgent occasion when the childe was in danger of death.

Baptizing of Papists children.

8 Item, Whether haue the children which haue beene borne to any Popish Recusants, or be gotten by them in your Parish, beene publikely baptized in your parish Church by your Parson, Vicar, or Curate; or by whom were they baptized, or where to your knowledge.

Receiuing of the Lords Supper thrice a yeere.

9 Item, Whether hath the blessed Sacrament of the Lords Supper bin duely and reuerently administred euery moneth, or thrice euery yeere at least, whereof once at Easter, within your Parish Church to euery parishioner being of sixteene yeeres of age, or vpwards.

Kneeling at the Communion.

10 Item, Whether is the said holy Sacrament deliuered vnto, or receiued by any of the Communicants within your parish, that vnreuerently sit or stand, or doe not deuoutly and humbly kneele vpon their knees.

Notorious offenders admitted to the Communion.

11 Item, Whether hath any of your Parish which be openly known to liue in notorious sin without Repentance, or excommunicate persons, or Schismatikes, common and notorious deprauers of the Religion and gouernment of this Realme, without vnfained sorrow showne for their impietie and wickednesse, beene admitted to be partaker of the said holy Communion.

Debarring others without cause.

12 Item, Whether hath any of your parish bin debarred from the said holy Communion without iust cause, and without intimation first giuen to the Ordinary or Bishop of the Diocesse: and by whose default.

Titul. 2. Articles concerning the Church, the Ornaments thereof, and the Churches Possessions.

Bookes and ornaments in the Church.

FIrst, Whether haue you in your Church or Chappell, the whole Bible of the largest volume, and of the last translation, the Booke of Common Prayer, lately set foorth by his Maiesties authoritie, the two bookes of Homilies, and Bishop Iewels Apologie, all well and fairely bound: A Font of stone set vp in the ancient vsuall place: A conuenient and decent Communion Table, with a carpet of silke, or some other decent stuffe, continually laid vpon the table at time of diuine Seruice, and a faire linnen cloath at the time of administring the Communion. And whether is the same Table placed conueniently as it ought. And whether is it so vsed in or out of time of Diuine Seruice or Sermon, as is not agreeable to the holy vse of it; as by sitting on it, and by throwing hats on it, or writing on it; or is it abused to other prophaner vses.

Abusing of the Communion Table.

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Are the ten Commandements set vpon the East end of your Church, with other sentences of Scripture about.

Things appertaining to Churches.

2 Item, Whether haue you in your said Church or Chappel, a conuenient seat for your Minister to read diuine Seruice in, together with a comely Pulpit set vp in a conuenient place, with a decent cloth or cushion for the same; a comely, large, and fine Surplice, a faire Communion Cup, a flagon of Siluer, or Peuter, with all other things and ornaments necessary for the celebration of Diuine Seruice, and administration of the Sacraments: and whether haue you a Chest for almes with three lockes and keyes, and another chest for keeping the Bookes and Ornaments of the Church, and the Register booke. Haue you a Register booke in parchment for Christnings, Weddings, and Burials, and is the same kept in all points according to the Canons. And haue you a Table set in your Church of the degrees wherein by law men are prohibited to marrie.

Register bookes.

Reparations of Churches, and Parsonage houses.

3 Item, Whether is your Church or Chappell with the Chancell thereof, and your Parsonage or Vicarage house, your parish Almeshouse and Church-house in good reparations; and are they imployed to godly, and their right holy vses: if any be ruinated and wasted, in whom is the default. Is your Church, Chancel', and Chappel decently and comely kept, aswell within as without, and be the seats well maintained, the steeple and bels preserued, the windowes well glazed, the floore kept paued, plaine and euen, and all things in orderly and decent sort, without dust, or any thing that may be either noisome or vnseemely for the house of God, as is prescribed in an Homily to that effect, and the 85. Canon.

Keeping cleane of Churches.

Fencing and keeping the Churchyard.

4 Item, Whether be your Churchyards well fenced, and kept without abuse; if not, whose default is it: hath any person encroached vpon the ground of the Churchyard. Haue any vsed a place consecrated to holy vse, prophanely or wickedly: haue any quarrelled or stricken another in Church or Churchyard: haue any annoyed your Churchyard or the fence thereof, by putting in of cattell, by hanging of cloathes, or by laying there any dust, dung, or other filthines.

Profaning & annoying the Churchyard.

Churches vacant.

5 Item, Whether is your Church full, or vacant of an Incumbent; if vacant, who receiueth the fruits thereof, and who serueth the cure, and by what authoritie: And whether is it a Parsonage, Vicarage, or Donatiue, or Appropriation.

Concealing of Church goods.

6 Item, What legacies haue beene giuen to the vse and benefit of your Church, how haue they beene bestowed: who receiued them, and detaineth them without due imployment. Doth any detaine or embe

zell any of the Church goods, or any other gifts giuen to charitable vses.

Erecting vp seats & pues.

7 Item, Whether is there any erecting of pewes or innouating of seats in your Church by any priuate man of his owne authoritie: and what seats haue beene so built, and by whose procurement, and by what authoritie.

Defacing of seemely ornaments.

8 Item, Whether, hath any in your parish defaced, or caused to bee defaced any monuments or ornaments in your Church.

Burying of Popish Recusants.

9 Item, Whether hath any Popish Recusant being lawfully excommunicated, beene enterred or buried in your Church or Churchyard, before absolution of that censure and excommunication: if yea, then by whom, and when.

Alienation of tithes and profits of the Church.

10 Item, Whether be not the profits, tithes, and other commodities Ecclesiasticall, impiously and wickedly to the dishonour of Almightie God, and preiudice of the sacred Ministrie, conuerted to the vse and benefit of couetous Patrons, and by them receiued and detained, and how long haue they beene so vsed to your knowledge.

A Terrier of Gleblands and other possessions of the Church.

11 Item, Whether haue you the Terrier of all the gleab-lands, meadowes, gardens, orchards, houses, stocks, implements, tenements, and portions of Tythes (whether within your parish or without) belonging vnto your parsonage or Vicarage, taken by the veiw of honest men, in your said parish. And whether the said Terrier be laid vp in the Bishops Registrie, and in whose hands are any of them now. And if you haue no Terrier alreadie made in parchment, you the Churchwardens and Sidemen, together with your Parson or Vicar, or in his absence your Curate, are to make diligent inquiry, and presentment of the premises, and make, subscribe, and signe the said Terrier, as aforesaid.

Titul. 3. Articles concerning Ministers, and preachers of Gods holy word.

Degrees of Ministers.

FIrst, Whether is your Minister, Parson, Vicar, or Curate, a graduate in either of the Vniuersities, or no: if yea, then of what degree. Is he a publike Preacher of Gods word, and by whom is he licenced.

Obseruation of the forme, and time of common Prayer, and Sacraments.

2 Item, Whether doth your Minister distinctly, and reuerently say diuine Seruice vpon Sundayes and Holidayes, and other daies appointed to be obserued by the booke of Common Prayer, as Wednesdayes, and Fridayes, and the Eues of euery Sunday and Holiday, at fit and vsuall times. And doth your Minister duely obserue the orders, Rites, and Ceremonies prescribed in the said booke of Common prayer, as well in reading all publike prayers, and the Letanie, as also in administring the Sacraments, solemnization of Matrimonie, visitation of the sicke, burying the dead, churching of women, and all other like rites, and offices

offices of the Church, in such manner and forme, as in the sayd booke of Common prayer is enioyned, without any omission or addition of any thing. And doth he read the booke of the last Canons yeerely.

3. Item, Whether doth your Minister always, and at euery time both morning and euening, reading Diuine seruice, and administring the Sacraments, & other Rites of the Church, weare the Surplice, according to the Canons, and doth he neuer omit wearing of the same at such times. Continuall wearing of the Surplice

4. Item, Whether doth your Minister bid holidayes and fasting daies, as is appointed. Doth he administer the holy Communion euery moneth, or thrice in the yeere at least, whereof once at Easter to euery parishioner: doth he receiue the same himselfe on euery day that he administreth it to others, and vseth hee the words of Institution according to the booke, without alteration, at euery time that the bread and wine is renewed. Doth he vse and neuer omit the signe of the Crosse in Baptisme, or doth he euer baptize in any Bason or other thing but the vsuall Font. Doth he marrie without a Ring, or in times prohibited, or without the Banes thrice published, without a speciall Licence from the Archbishop, or Bishop of the Diocesse, or his Chancellour first had and obteyned. Obseruation of Rites.

5 Item, Whether is your Minister a Preacher licenced or no: If no, whether doth he take vpon him in his owne Cure or elswhere to expound any Scripture or matter of doctrine, and doth not keepe himselfe only to the reading of Homilies published by Authority: if so, then you are to present the same, the time and place where he did it. And if he be licensed, doth he preach vsually according to the 45. Canon, in his owne cure, or some other neighbour Church, where no preacher is: doth he preach standing, and with his hat off. Or whether doth he or his Curate vpon euery Sunday when there is no Sermon, reade an Homily, or some part thereof, according as he ought to doe. Preachers without licence. Reading Homilies when there is no Sermon.

6 Item, Whether doth your Minister publish in his Sermons, any doctrine which is new and strange, and disagreeing from the word of God, and from the Articles of Christian faith and religion, agreed on and published Ann. Dom. 1562. or whether doe they teach any thing, which they would haue the people religiously to obserue, and beleeue, but that which is agreeable to the Scriptures, and that which the Catholike Fathers and ancient Bishops haue gathered out of that doctrine, according to the Canon. Preaching false doctrine and new opinions.

7 Item, Whether are any Ministers admitted to preach in your Church, who doe not before the Churchwardens subscribe their names in your booke for that purpose, the day when he preached, and the name of the Bishop of whom he had licence to preach. And is any one admitted to preach before he sheweth his licence. Names of strange Preachers to be taken.

position of achers in r sermons.

8 Item, Doth any preacher in your pulpit particularly impugne and confute any doctrine deliuered by others his fellow preachers, before hee hath acquainted the Bishop of the Dioces therewith, and receiued order from him what to doe in that case.

ying for Maiestie,

9 Item, Doth your Minister vse alwayes to pray for the Kings Maiestie, the Prince, Clergie, Councell, &c. giuing them their full titles as in the Canon is required.

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10 Item, Whether is your Minister resident vpon his Benefice, or absent; if absent, by whom is the cure serued, the fruits receiued. Doth your Minister or Curate serue any more Cures then one: if yea, then what other Cure doth he serue, and how farre are they distant.

echizing.

11 Item, Whether doth he catechize the youth of his Parish vpon Sundayes & holidayes before Euening prayer for halfe an houre, or more, in the Catechisme set forth in the booke of Common prayer: and whether doe all the Parishioners diligently attend his catechizing, and who refuse to send their children and seruants to be catechized by him.

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12 Item, Doth your Minister carefully looke to the relieue of the poore, and from time to time call vpon his Parishioners to giue somewhat according to their abilitie, to godly and charitable vses, especially when they make their wills.

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13 Item, Whether is your Minister suspected, or knowne to haue obteyned his Benefice, or spirituall promotion by any symoniacall compact, directly or indirectly.

nising of efices.

14 Item, Whether doth your Minister demise the profits of his Benefice to any lay-man, aboue one yeere, and is not resident there, and keepeth no hospitalitie vpon his Benefice being of sufficient value.

nferring Recu- s.

15 Item, Whether hath he being learned and sufficient, conferred with the Popish Recusants of his Parish, endeauouring to reclaime them from their errours, and presenting them being obstinate for their Recusancie.

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16 Item, Doth your Minister in the Rogation dayes goe in perambulation of the circuit of the Parish, saying and vsing the prayers, suffrages, and thanksgiuing to God, appointed by law, according to his duety, thanking God for his blessings, and praying for his grace and fauour.

aching, in priuate ses.

17 Item, Hath your Minister or any other Preacher made any Sermons, administred the Sacraments, or Churched women in any priuate houses, otherwise then is by law allowed.

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18 Item, What Curats, or Preachers doe reade Prayers, or administer the Sacraments in your Parish, without lawfull licence from the Bishop of the Diocesse vnder his hand and seale, according to the Canon: or doth any Layman, not hauing holy orders, presume to reade publike prayers in the Church.

19. Item,

19 Item, Whether haue any Preacher or Lecturer in your Parish, and whether (if any such be) he doth twice at the least euery yeere reade himselfe Diuine Seruice both morning and euening two seuerall Sundayes publikely in his Surplice; and also twice in the yeere administer both Sacraments, with such Rites and Ceremonies as are prescribed in the booke of Common Prayer, according to the 56. Canon. Preacher reade Ser

20 Item, Whether is your Minister studious in the holy Scriptures, and abstaineth from mechanicall trades, or labour not besitting his function, and from apparell vnseemly for his calling, and from gaming, swearing, and drunkennesse, or such notorious crimes: or is there any in your Parish, who hauing beene admitted into holy orders, either Deacon or Minister, doth relinquish and forsake his calling, and liueth in the course of his life as a Lay-man. Consera of the M ster. Ministers saking t calling.

21 Item, Whether doth your Minister before the seuerall times of the administration of the Lords Supper, admonish and exhort his Parishioners, if they haue their consciences troubled and disquieted, to resort vnto him, or some other learned Minister, and open his griefe, that he may receiue such ghostly counsell and comfort, as his conscience may be relieued, and by the Minister he may receiue the benefit of absolution, to the quiet of his conscience, and auoyding of the scruple; And if any man confesse his secret and hidden sinnes beeing sicke or whole to the Minister, for the vnburthening of his conscience, and receiuing such spirituall consolation, doth or hath the sayd Minister at any time reuealed and made knowne to any person whatsoeuer, any crime or offence so committed to his trust and secrecie, contrarie to the 113. Canon. Minister uealing uate Co ons.

Articles concerning Marriage. *Titul.*

FIrst, Whether be there any in your Parish that haue married within the degrees of affinity, or consanguinitie by the law of God forbidden, if any, what be they. Marriag within l ticall de

2 Item, Whether haue any beene married secretly in priuate houses, or without their parents or gouernours consent signified, being vnder the age of 21. yeeres. Priuate riage, a without sent of l

3 Item, Whether doe any persons lawfully married liue asunder vnlawfully, and in whom is the default. Married sons liu parr.

4 Item, Whether any persons, (the banes beeing not thrice published in the Church,) haue beene married without licence, who were present at such marriages, and what Minister married them. Marriag without and lice

5 Item, Whether any persons by licence or without haue beene married in your Parish Church, neither of them at that time dwelling in your Towne. Persons ried ou their pa

ed in your parish, in what sort was that matrimonie solemnized, when, and by whom.

7 Item, Is there any in your parish that is vsyced, noted, and credibly reported and accused to haue two wiues liuing, or two husbands.

Articles concerning the Churchwardens.

FIrst, Whether bee the Churchwardens chosen by the Minister and parishioners, according to the 89. Canon, and whether hath any taken vpon him to be Churchwarden being not so chosen: Or hath any continued aboue one yeere in his office without a new choise.

2 Item, Whether haue any Churchwardens reteined any of the Church goods, and not made a iust accompt of what they haue receiued and expended.

3 Item, Haue they beene and are they diligent in their office, to see decencie kept in the Church, and order in the time of common Prayer, and administration of the Sacraments, and that there be no disturbance, but soberneſse and quietneſse in the Church. And doe the Churchwardens keepe a booke in your Parish, wherein the name of euery strange Preacher in your Parish is set downe; and haue the Churchwardens suffered any to preach not shewing or hauing no licence.

Articles concerning the Parishoners.

FIrst, Whether do any in your parish prophane the Sunday, by vnlawfull games, drinking, or tipling in the time of common Prayer, or Sermon; and by working and doing the ordinary workes of their vocation and trades.

2 Item, Is there any in your Parish that doe impugne or speake against the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, or the lawfull vse of them; and the gouernement of this Church vnder his Maiestie, by Archbishops, Bishops, and other Ecclesiasticall Officers.

3 Item, Who in your Parish doe come to the Sermon onely, and not to diuine Seruice, and who doe not reuerently behaue themselues during the time of diuine seruice, deuoutly kneeling when the generall Confession of sinnes, the Letany, the tenne Commandements, and all Prayers, and Collects are read: and vsing all duly and lowly reuerence when the blessed name of the Lord Iesus is mentioned, and standing vp when the Articles of the Beliefe, the Magnificat, Nunc dimittis, the Te Deum, Benedictus, and Gloria Patri, &c. are read, or who doe couer their heads in the Church, during the whole time of diuine seruice, vnlesse it

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be in case of necessitie, in which case they may weare a night cap. Or who doe giue themselues to babling, talking, or walking, and are not attentiue to heare the word read and preached.

4 Item, Are there any of your parish, hauing a preacher to their Ministers, that doe absent themselues from his Sermons, and resort to other places to heare other preachers: or doe any in your parish communicate, or baptize their children in any other parish. Leauing their owne Churches to goe to others.

5 Item, is their any in your parish that refuse to haue their children baptised, or themselues to receiue the Communion of your Minister, taking exception against him: or haue any wiues that refuse to come to Church according to the booke of common Prayer, to giue thankes to God for their safe deliuerance, in a decent habit, as hath beene anciently accustomed. Exception against the Minister. Churching of women.

6 Item, Hath any in your parish spoken slaunderous and reproachfull words against your Minister, to the scandall of his vocation, or against their marriage or wiues, or against his neighbour, defaming them touching any crime of Ecclesiasticall cognizance. Disgracing of Ministers.

7 Item, Whether doe any in your Parish exercise any trade, or labor, buy or sell, or keepe open shops, or set out any wares to be sold vpon Sundayes and Holidayes by themselues, their seruants, or apprentices, or haue otherwise prophaned the said dates. Opening of shops vpon holidayes.

8 Item, Whether is the 24. of March, the 5. of August, and the 5. of Nouember kept holy, and thanksgiuing made to God, according to the order set forth in that behalfe. Keeping holy of 24. March 5. August. 5. Nouember.

9 Item, Are there any in your parish that be, or are commonly knowne or reputed, to be blasphemers of Gods holy name, drunkards, adulterers, fornicators, incestuous persons, concealors or harbourers of fornicators or adulterers: haue any been detected of such notorious crimes, and what penance haue they done for the same. Adulterie, fornication, incest, &c.

10 Item, What corporall punishment for any such offences, hath been commuted and changed into a pecuniary mulct or summe of money by any Ecclesiasticall Iudge, exercising iurisdiction within this Diocesse by vertue of any graunt or commission; or what was the summe of money by them or any of them so receiued and taken, & to what vses was the same bestowed: or whether vpon such commutations, was the vnfained repentance of the delinquents published in the Church. Commutatiō of Penance.

11 Item, What person or persons haue died and departed this mortal life, since the 5 day of August last past, and whether did they make any last Wills or Testaments, and who were their executors, or whether died they intestate, and who hath the administration of their goods; and what be the names of such deceased, and executors, and administrators, Persons dying since the 5. of August, 1620.

12 Item, Whether haue any in your parish administred the goods of any person deceased without lawfull authoritie, & before hee or they haue prooued the will and Testament of the partie deceased, or haue obtained Commission from the Ordinarie to dispose the said moueable goods; or are there any wills vnprooued, or goods not administred.

Excommunicate persons.

13 Item, What persons be excommunicate within your Parish, and for what cause to your knowledge: and whether do any of them repaire to the Church, in time of Prayer vnabsolued.

Titul. 7. Articles concerning Schoolemasters, Physitians, and Chyrurgions, and Parish Clarkes.

Schoolemasters not licenced.

FIrst, is there any Schoolemaster in your Parish that teacheth publikely or priuately, not licensed by the Ordinarie the Bishop of the Diocesse. Doth he teach any Papists or Sectaries children, that come not to Church. And doth he instruct all his schollers to learne the shorter Catechisme by law established, contained in the booke of common Prayer. Is he a graduate, and sufficient to teach.

Dutie of all Schoolemasters.

Physitians not licenced.

2 Item, What Physitian or Chyrurgion is in your parish vnlicensed, and being not a Doctor of physicke in either of the Vniuersities, doth practise physicke. And what ignorant persons haue left their trade, and taken vpon them to professe Physicke or Chyrurgerie; and who be they that so abuse the people.

Parish Clarks

3 Item, Haue you a fit parish-Clarke, aged 20. yeares at least, of honest life, able to read and write. Are his and the Sextons wages paid without fraud; if not, then whose default is it. By whom is he chosen: is he diligent in his office, and seruiceable to the Minister, doth he meddle with any thing aboue his office, doth he keepe the Church cleane, the doores locked. Is any thing lost and spoiled by his default, and doth hee execute his office duly.

Titul. 8. Articles concerning Ecclesiasticall offices.

Excessiue fees

FIrst, Whether be there any Ecclesiasticall officers that exercise Ecclesiasticall iurisdiction within this Diocesse, that take and receiue, or exact any extraordinarie and excessiue fees for any cause. Whether haue your Churchwardens and Questmen, concealed any abuses or offences punishable in the Ecclesiasticall Court, and whether such offences being presented are suppressed and vnpunished.

Table of fees in Courts.

2 Item, Whether is there not a Table of Fees in euery Court, of the Consistorie, Archdeacons, and Commissaries, allowed and subscribed by the Iudge and Register of the Court of Consistory Anno Dom. 1597. and the same euery Court day hung vp in some publique place of the Court, and Registry.

3 Item,

3 Item, Doth any Eccleſiaſticall Iudge ſpeed any act in any cauſe priuately of himſelfe, and not in preſence of ſome publique Notarie or Actuarie. Speeding of actes without a Notarie.

4 Item, Whether is there any exceſſiue number of Apparitors and Sumners in this Dioceſſe; or haue any of them vnder pretence of authoritie cited or ſummoned any perſon vnlawfully, or hath taken any reward for the concealing of any offence or ſinne, or the auoyding of puniſhment of the offenders, and who bee they that haue done ſo; or doe they take any fees not accuſtomable. Haue they threatned any to proſecute them if they had no reward, and doe they ſummon any without a Citation firſt had. Abuſes in Apparitors and Sumners.

5 Item, Hath any Eccleſiaſticall Iudge, or officer, Aduocate, Regiſter, Proctor, Clearkes, or other ſuch miniſters any way abuſed themſelues in their offices, contrary to the law and Canons in that behalfe prouided. Abuſes in Eccleſiaſticall offices.

6 Item, Laſtly, Whether haue you and euerie of you, ſincerely, vprightly, and without any partiall affection, and concealing, preſented and made knowne all and euerie the offendors in any of the matters mentioned in the precedent Articles exhibited vnto you, either as they are taken in truth to be, or by common fame reported. Sinceritie and impartialitie in the Inquiſitours.

If you know of any other default or crime of Eccleſiaſticall cogniſance, you are to preſent the ſame.

The Miniſters of euerie Pariſh may ioyne in preſentment with the Churchwardens and Side-men, and if they will not preſent, then the Miniſter themſelues (being the perſons that ſhould haue the chiefe care for the ſuppreſſing of ſinne and impietie in their Pariſhes) may preſent the Crimes aforeſaid, and ſuch things as ſhall be thought to require due reformation. Can. 113.

There muſt bee ſeuerall preſentments made to euery ſeuerall Article.

FINIS.

Hos Articulos ſub hiſce Titulis in hac viſitatione. 1620. proponit inquirendos.

RO. SARUM.